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FROM:

Ernest G. Johnson

Director

Utilities Division

DATE:

October 14, 2005

RE:

Red Rock Utilities, LLC's Request for Extension of Deadline to File

Approvals to Construct Docket No. WS-04245A-04-0184

Decision No. 67409, effective November 2, 2004, granted Red Rock Utilities, L.L.C. ("Red Rock") a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide water and wastewater service to a portion of Pinal County. Among other compliance requirements, the Decision ordered Red Rock to file Approvals to Construct for the off-site water facilities within 365 days of the effective date of the Decision. Red Rock, although fulfilling many of the other compliance requirements, has not yet filed the Approvals to Construct with the Commission. It has, however submitted its application for the Approvals to Construct to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") on September 26, 2005. Red Rock is requesting an extension to January 2, 2006 by which time it expects ADEQ's approval.

Staff has reviewed the request and has no objections to the requested extension of time to January 2, 2005.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF RED ROCK UTILITIES, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER AND WASTE WATER

obtain from ADEQ and to file the Approvals to Construct.

Docket No. WS-04245A-04-0184

RED ROCK UTILITIES, LLC'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF DEADLINE IN DECISION NO. 67409 TO FILE APPROVALS TO CONSTRUCT

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Red Rock Utilities, LLC ("RRU") herein requests an extension of the November 2, 2005 deadline to file Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") Approvals to Construct the off-site water facilities. RRU has completed all the work necessary to obtain the ADEQ Approvals to Construct, has received approval from Pinal County, and submitted the application for such Approvals to Construct to ADEQ. However, ADEQ has until mid-November 2005 in which to issue the Approvals to Construct. Accordingly, RRU requests a short extension to January 2, 2006, in which to



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PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND.

RRU received the approval of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") to provide water and wastewater service in Pinal County, Arizona in Decision No. 67409, dated November 2, 2004 (the "Decision"). The Decision ordered RRU to meet specified deadlines for filing documentation supporting RRU's water and wastewater services. RRU has met all such deadlines to date, and in some instances has filed prior to the required deadline. These completed deadlines include the following:

- File tariff consistent with the rates and charges authorized by the ACC within 30 days of the Decision.
- File a copy of the Analysis of Assured Water Supply approved by the Arizona Department of Water Resources within 24 months of the effective date of the Decision.
- Docket a backflow prevention and curtailment tariff within 60 days of the Decision.
- File a report on the arsenic levels of the production wells within 365 days of the Decision.

The Decision, Page 12, Paragraph 24, also orders RRU to file Approvals to Construct the off-site water facilities within 365 days of the effective date of the Decision: by November 2, 2005. It is this deadline for which RRU seeks an extension to January 2, 2006.

DEVELOPMENT STATUS.

In the 11 months since the ACC authorized the CC&N, RRU has worked diligently to get the water and wastewater facilities under construction. RRU has completed the following key tasks:

• January 2004 -- drilled two wells.



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- July 8, 2005 -- obtained AZPDES permit for stormwater construction general permit.
- September 26, 2005 -- obtained AZPDES permit for discharge of treated effluent.
- Completed design and contract for construction of wastewater treatment facility.
- Initiated application for aquifer protection permit through ADEQ (application deemed administratively complete as of September 26, 2005) (otherwise due within 24 months of the effective date of the Decision).
- Began negotiating first line extension agreement.

REQUEST.

The final item that the Decision requires by November 2, 2005, is the ADEQ Approvals to Construct the off-site water facilities. RRU submitted its ADEQ application for the Approvals to Construct on September 16, 2005 and the application was "accepted" on September 26, 2005. Under ADEQ's regulations, the Approvals to Construct must be issued within 60 days, by mid-November 2005. It is possible that ADEQ may issue the Approvals to Construct before the ACC's November 2, 2005 deadline. However, ADEQ may also take the entire 60 days, or may require additional information or submittals that would delay issuance of the Approvals to Construct past November 2. To be certain that RRU is in compliance with the Decision, therefore, RRU requests a 60-day extension of the November 2, 2005 deadline.

For the foregoing reasons, RRU requests a brief extension of the November 2, 2005 deadline until January 2, 2006, in order to allow time for ADEQ to finish its review of RRU's application and to issue the Approvals to Construct for RRU's off-site water facilities.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 124 day of October, 2005.

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